

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROB BISHOP

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding eight earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3326, the Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010. I certify that neither I, nor my spouse, have any financial interest in these requests, and certify that, to the best of my knowledge, these requests are (1) not directed to an entity or program named or that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) are not intended for a "front" or "pass-through" entity; and (3) meet or exceed statutory requirements for matching funds (where applicable).

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT-01)
Bill Number: H.R. 3326—Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Project: Small Responsive Spacecraft at Low-Cost (SRSL)

Project Amount: \$3 million

Account: RDT&E, Air Force

Requesting Entity: Utah State University Space Dynamics Laboratory

Address: 1695 North Research Park Way, North Logan, UT 84341.

Project Description and Justification: Funding would continue previous years' efforts in conjunction with Air Force Research Labs to develop and demonstrate technologies for new, low-cost space systems that have military utility. Current space-based reconnaissance assets are cost-prohibitive and too massive to be used in a quick-reaction tactical environment. This effort could lead to providing local field commanders a dedicated space asset for tactical actionable intelligence applications in a highly modular and customizable design to meet military needs under the Operationally Responsive Space (ORS) construct.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable.

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Project: Optimizing Natural Language Processing of Open-Source Intelligence (OSINT)

Project Amount: \$1.5 million

Account: RDT&E, Army

Requesting Entity: Attensity, Inc.

Address: 90 South 400 West, Suite 600, Salt Lake City, UT 84101.

Project Description and Justification: Military intelligence collection methods must adapt to the highly-evolving and dynamic IT based sources. Project would fund an "all-source" fusion tool for collecting data from open sources such as the web, blog, social networking sites, and RRS feeds, in cooperative effort with the State University of New York at Buffalo to provide more effective intelligence analysis and decision-making tools for the Army in asymmetric warfare situations.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable.

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Project: Laser Phalanx

Project Amount: \$1.5 million

Account: RDT&D, Navy

Requesting Entity: Colmek Systems Engineering,

Address: 2001 South 3480 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84104.

Project Description and Justification: Phalanx is a combat-proven ship defense system that is effective against a variety of threats. Spiral development and integration of a laser into existing Phalanx system will significantly increase its defensive capabilities. Funding would enable new technology integration to fill emerging gaps, while also reducing acquisition and ownership costs.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable.

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT-01)
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Project: Internal Auxillary Fuel Tank System

Project Amount: \$5 million

Account: Aircraft Procurement, Army

Requesting Entity: Robertson Aviation, Inc.

Address: 14668 Heritage Way, Bluffdale, Utah 84065.

Project Description and Justification: Would purchase crash-resistant internal auxillary fuel tanks for installation on National Guard UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters, including the Utah National Guard. Existing fuel tanks are not crash-resistant and pose threats to life and safety of military personnel when operating the helicopters.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT-01)
Bill Number: H.R. 3326—Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Project: TranSim Driver Training

Project Amount: \$3.5 million

Account: Other Procurement, Army

Requesting Entity: MPRI, Inc.

Address: 2961 West California Avenue, Salt Lake City, Utah 84104.

Project Description and Justification: Funding would continue efforts begun last year to offer high-tech simulator training for troops scheduled to be deployed overseas in the proper operations of Army tactical wheeled vehicles, such as the up-armored HMVEES. Such vehicles have challenging and particular handling characteristics for the drivers. Prior to this training, there were a number of deadly and tragic roll-over accidents in theatre that could likely have been avoided if this training had been offered earlier. It has already been proven to reduce accidents. Troops come from a variety of urban and rural backgrounds and life-experiences, and to simply put them behind the wheel of a large and cumbersome vehicle is not intuitive but requires a modicum of training. It is almost inconceivable that the military wouldn't fund this on their own accord, but instead, is another example of the Congress having to step in and fund essential programs for the health, safety and welfare of our troops. Project would continue training in a mobile configuration so that it could be moved around the CONUS where needed. Avoidance of even 1 accident could more than pay for the program, not to mention the lives saved.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT-01)
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Project: Portable Armored Wall System

Project Amount: \$1 million

Account: Procurement, Marine Corps

Requesting Entity: Dynamic Defense Materials (DDM), Inc.

Address: 100 Sharp Road, Marlton, NJ, 08053.

Project Description and Justification: Would fund purchase of additional combat-proven modular armor wall systems for the Marine Corps that can be rapidly deployed and configured for a variety of applications to provide high levels of protection against most threats found in theater from IEDs to small arms fire and RPGs. Replaces antiquated and cumbersome sandbag method. International Armoring Corporation in Ogden, Utah is supplier to DDM.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable.

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Project: Electric Actuation Systems

Project Amount: \$1 million

Account: RDT&E, Navy

Requesting Entity: Moog, Inc.

Address: 2268 South 3270 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119.

Project Description and Justification: Project would fund development and demonstration of shipboard qualified electric actuators that could lead to replacement of antiquated hydraulic systems which are heavy and have environmental hazards associated with hydraulic fluids. Would also reduce repair and maintenance costs over legacy hydraulic systems for Navy.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable

Requesting Member: ROB BISHOP (UT-01)
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Project: Under Vehicle Inspection System

Project Amount: \$3 million

Account: RDT&E, Defense Wide

Requesting Entity: Kachemark Research Development, Inc. (KRD)

Address: 59584 East End, Homer, Alaska 99603.

Project Description and Justification: Funds research and development on modifying existing auto scanning equipment used at military bases to provide real-time quick inspections of delivery vehicles, to mobile versions, making the technology more accessible to different locations and situations, and reducing risks to military inspection personnel.

Matching Funds and Spending Plan: Not applicable

TRIBUTE TO ELDER ROBERT
ERWIN WILSON

HON. PARKER GRIFFITH

OF ALABAMA

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Monday, July 27, 2009

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Elder Robert E. Wilson of Madison, Alabama, whose energy and enthusiasm rejuvenated the Presbyterian Church in North Alabama and engaged them in new and purposeful initiatives.

To honor Bob Wilson's transformational leadership, the Fellowship Presbyterian Men are honoring him with a "Bob Wilson Appreciation Day" commemorating his efforts and accomplishments. The event will be held at